

Makeup of the National League Clubs

Breezy Ball Talk on Many Topics

THE National league pennant race for this year will probably be closer than that of 1906. The teams that had to make way for Chicago last year have been strengthened in many departments, and indications are that the first division teams will be very closely bunched at the finish.

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MORDECAI BROWN, CHICAGO NATIONALS.



"RUBE" WADDELL, PHILADELPHIA AMERICANS.

Every one admits that the weaker teams of last season are stronger now. Those that finished in the second division were Brooklyn, Cincinnati, Boston and St. Louis. Hanlon's "Cincy" Reds, and on their surprising amount of new blood to carry them into the thick of the fight for the flag. They figure that youthful enthusiasm and ambition will more than balance veteran nerve and experience. Maybe they will this year, but they have not done so in the past as a rule.

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The way in which they began the season was a sure sign that Billy Murray is a master at developing a team.

The Phillies battled the New York Nationals off the map, drove "Iron Man" McGinnity into the bomb proof and scared Mugsy McGraw into a pink trance. McGee, in three times at the bat, hit for a total of six bases, and Centerfielder Roy Thomas did almost as well. The whole team fields like a crew of trained demons.

Say, the rest of the National league managers will have to get a full grown hustle on. Murray will "put it all over them" if they don't watch out—that is, provided the owners of the Phillies will let him take the bit in his teeth and run the team to suit himself.

Murray was formerly manager of the Jersey City team of the Eastern league, but the big leagues will probably not be likely ever to let him go back to the minors. He's the goods.

Baseball Short Cuts.

It was recently announced by the National baseball commission that unless Boston or St. Louis of the National league offered Sandow Mertes, the outfielder, \$1,000 for a contract on or before a certain day he would become a free agent and consequently at liberty to sign with whatever club wanted him.

But why should any club pay Mertes \$1,000 for a year when two men equally as good as Mertes could be obtained for the same amount?

Pitcher Corridon of the Philadelphia Nationals recently pitched a sensational game against the New York Nationals, letting down the ex-champions with only one hit and shutting them out.

Napoleon Lajoie of the Cleveland Americans was once a hack driver in Woonsocket, R. I. Today he is the best all around ball player in America.

The Chicago Nationals have released Pitcher Harry Gessler to the Columbus (O.) team of the American association, winners of the association pennant last year. Gessler was all right for a couple of innings in swift ball company, and then things would begin to happen to his batters. Possibly the American association batsmen will be kinder toward him.

CHARLES E. EDWARDS.

MISS KELLERMAN TO VISIT AMERICA.

Swimming enthusiasts will have an opportunity to see the famous Australian swimmer, Miss Annette Kellerman, in competition in America during the coming summer. Her father, who acts as her manager, has written that he has secured contracts for his daughter to visit the United States next summer.

Miss Kellerman, who has entered the professional ranks and is now in London giving public exhibitions of speed swimming and high and fancy diving, expects to spend several months in this country, and will appear in New York

and Chicago, as well as at the Jamestown (Va.) exposition, and possibly in some of the other large cities.

While here she will be open to challenges from any American woman swimmer who wishes to try conclusions with her.

GUS EDWARDS GIVES ADVICE TO SONG WRITERS.

Every person ambitious to become a successful song writer will find the advice of Gus Edwards interesting. Mr. Edwards has composed about 200 songs during the last eight years. "You've got to have patience, of course," he says. "When I started out I was looked upon as a bore by some publishers. I excited the envy of some of the tried and experienced writers who did their level best to put me in the background. I had plenty of ideas, but no chance to put them into execution. When the rage for coon songs was at its height I composed a song called 'My Girl From Baltimore.' The song was in an entirely new vein and attracted attention. After that I composed 'I Can't Tell Why I Love You, but I Do,' 'My Charcoal Charming,' 'When the Roses Bloom Again,' 'Alabama,' 'Mamie' and other hits. However, the only way to make any money in the business is to start out for yourself and publish your own songs. By publishing your own songs you are sure of getting all that is your due. You see under prevailing conditions, when sheet music sells at such a low figure, owing to competition, a publisher cannot afford to pay large royalties on songs. Since I have been in business I have provided the musical world with two hits, 'If a Girl Like You Loved a Boy Like Me' and 'Somebody's Sweetheart I Want to Be.'"

UNGLAUB'S SALARY.

Bob Unglaub wants the Boston Americans to pay him \$3,500 for playing baseball this year. President Dan Johnson of the American league has notified President Taylor that Unglaub is entitled to \$3,000 salary, the amount he was to have received from the Williamsport (Pa.) club of the Tri-state league. Unglaub received a \$500 bonus from a Williamsport enthusiast for signing. Both Johnson and Unglaub believe this amount should be returned, but each thinks the other should pay it. In addition Unglaub gives up a \$1,000 position as city surveyor.

THE PROGENY OF DIRECT, 2:05 1/2.

Direct, 2:05 1/2, has sired two winners of the M. and M. in Ann Direct and Directum Kelly, and two C. of C. winners in Bonnie Direct and Direct Hal. His grandson, Walter Direct, also won Detroit's classic pacing race.

CALIFORNIA RACING.

California will have a circuit of race meetings this year which will give her horses a chance to race for big money without being taken east.

Charles F. Barker of Boston successfully defended his title as national checker champion in the recent tournament at Boston. Barker receives the first prize, \$150. The other prize-win-

Sporting Gossip.

A little chap waiting for a car at the Manhattan end of the Brooklyn bridge recently was picked out by two lemon pool men as a likely victim. They got to talking to him and wound up by suggesting a drink. Then they suggested a game of pool. The little fellow said he didn't know much about pool, but to be obliging he would play a few games. To make the games interesting they bet a dollar on one ball, better known as the lemon ball. One of the lemon men won the lemon ball, but they saw to it that the little fellow got the game. The second, third, and fourth games were won by the little fellow, but either one of the lemon men was sure to get the balls. The fifth game played, the little fellow apparently grew desperate and offered to bet \$15. To publishers, I excited the envy of some of the tried and experienced writers who did their level best to put me in the background. I had plenty of ideas, but no chance to put them into execution. When the rage for coon songs was at its height I composed a song called 'My Girl From Baltimore.' The song was in an entirely new vein and attracted attention. After that I composed 'I Can't Tell Why I Love You, but I Do,' 'My Charcoal Charming,' 'When the Roses Bloom Again,' 'Alabama,' 'Mamie' and other hits. However, the only way to make any money in the business is to start out for yourself and publish your own songs. By publishing your own songs you are sure of getting all that is your due. You see under prevailing conditions, when sheet music sells at such a low figure, owing to competition, a publisher cannot afford to pay large royalties on songs. Since I have been in business I have provided the musical world with two hits, 'If a Girl Like You Loved a Boy Like Me' and 'Somebody's Sweetheart I Want to Be.'"